

Amendments to Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~donation method performed by a computer including a processor and a memory unit coupled to the processor, the method comprising:~~

~~providing access to charity data stored in the memory unit related to a plurality of government approved charities;~~

displaying, by a computer based system for administering charitable donations, a plurality of charities corresponding to a search request, wherein donation information including a minimum donation rule is associated with each charity;

~~receiving, by the computer based system, from an employee of an employer, (1) an identifier of a selected charity of a [[the]] plurality of government approved charities, [[(2)]] an employee a donation amount, and [[(3)]] an employer identifier corresponding to an [[the]] employer;~~

verifying, by the computer based system, that the donation amount complies with the minimum donation rule;

receiving, by the computer based system, a confirmation that a charge corresponding to the donation amount posted to at least one of a transaction account and a loyalty account;

matching, by the computer based system, the identifier of the selected charity to a charity category stored in the memory unit, wherein the charity category comprises a set of employer defined predetermined rules governing matching contributions made by an employer and wherein the predetermined rules comprise at least a percentage and a cap amount corresponds to the employer identifier;

~~retrieving, by the computer based system, [[a]] the percentage and [[a]] the cap amount stored in the memory unit, wherein the percentage and the cap amount each correspond to the charity category and the employer identifier;~~

multiplying, by the computer based system, the employee donation amount by the percentage to compute a preliminary employer donation amount;

calculating, by the computer based system, a final employer donation amount by limiting the preliminary employer donation amount to the cap amount; and

processing, by the computer based system, a payment to the selected charity ~~on behalf of the employer~~ for the final employer donation amount.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is performed in an online environment.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the ~~employee~~ donation amount and the final employer donation amount further includes a loyalty point donation information.

4-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~providing access to plurality of charities are charity data further includes providing access to charity data respectively related to all government approved 501(c) charities via a donation portal.~~

7-20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the donation amount includes a first recurring donation.

22. (New) The method of claim 21, wherein the final employer donation amount includes a second recurring donation, in response to the donation amount including the first recurring donation.

23. (New) The method of claim 1, further including, transmitting, by the computer based system, a record corresponding to the donation amount.

24. (New) A computer based system for administering charitable donations, including:

a network interface communicating with a memory;

the memory communicating with a processor; and

the processor, when executing a computer program, is configured to:

display a plurality of charities corresponding to a search request, and wherein donation information including a minimum donation rule is associated with each charity;

receive an identifier of a selected charity of a plurality of charities, a donation amount, and an employer identifier corresponding to an employer;

verify that the donation amount complies with the minimum donation rule;

receive a confirmation that a charge corresponding to the donation amount posted to at least one of a transaction account and a loyalty account;

match the identifier of the selected charity to a charity category, wherein the charity category comprises a set of employer defined predetermined rules governing matching contributions made by an employer and wherein the predetermined rules comprise at least a percentage and a cap amount;

retrieve the percentage and the cap amount;

multiply the donation amount by the percentage to compute a preliminary employer donation amount;

calculate a final employer donation amount by limiting the preliminary employer donation amount to the cap amount; and

process a payment to the selected charity for the final employer donation amount.

25. (New) A tangible non-transitory computer-readable storage medium having computer-executable instructions stored thereon that, if executed by a computer based system for administering charitable donations, cause the computer based system to perform a method including:

displaying, by the computer based system, a plurality of charities corresponding to a search request, and wherein donation information including a minimum donation rule is associated with each charity;

receiving, by the computer based system, an identifier of a selected charity of a plurality of charities, a donation amount, and an employer identifier corresponding to an employer;

verifying, by the computer based system, that the donation amount complies with the minimum donation rule;

receiving, by the computer based system, a confirmation that a charge corresponding to the donation amount posted to at least one of a transaction account and a loyalty account;

matching, by the computer based system, the identifier of the selected charity to a charity category, wherein the charity category comprises a set of employer defined predetermined rules governing matching contributions made by an employer and wherein the predetermined rules comprise at least a percentage and a cap amount;

retrieving, by the computer based system, the percentage and the cap amount;

multiplying, by the computer based system, the donation amount by the percentage to compute a preliminary employer donation amount;

calculating, by the computer based system, a final employer donation amount by limiting the preliminary employer donation amount to the cap amount; and

processing, by the computer based system, a payment to the selected charity for the final employer donation amount.